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1. The amendment filed on 05 September 2006 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendment and drawings filed 9-5-06 are improper under 37 C.F.R. 1.121 for the following reasons. The 1.312 amendment contains specification amendments for pages 5, 10 and 15. However, there are no pages numbered as 5, 10 and 15 in the clean copy of the substitute specification filed 7-5-05 because the first page of that substitute specification is numbered as page 20. Also, in the 1.312 amendment there is no section, such as for example, "In the drawings" which refers to the submittal of the replacement drawings for Figures 1 and 2, and these replacement drawing sheets were not identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet".


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